

WEATHER REPORT
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—San Francisco and vicinity: Fair tonight and Thursday; light frost Thursday morning; light northerly wind.
Northern California: Fair tonight and Thursday; continued cold weather; light N wind heavy frost Thursday morning.

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ENGLISH RAGE BOILING HIGH

Feeble Conduct of the War Will Overthrow the Government.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The plight of the British arms in South Africa is overshadowed for the present by the storm which is hurrying over the head of the Conservative government. The Manchester speech of General Balfour, the government leader in the House of Commons, has loosened a torrent of comment from the press and individuals of his own party that will be difficult to reassemble today. It is doubtful if the Conservatives would retain power in spite of their tremendous majority of the past session. The pent-up dissatisfaction with the government's lack of energy in waging the war is no longer concealed. When such ardent Conservative members as Lord Salisbury and the Duke of Devonshire with reproof there is no knowing where the agitation will end. The provincial press has already taken up the cry. For the moment Mr. Balfour is the scapegoat, but there is a terrible rod in pickle for the Marquis of Lansdowne, while Lord Salisbury and other Cabinet Ministers will not escape unless a wonderful change comes over the war situation.

CONSERVATIVES TOTTERING.
A reporter of the Associated Press learns that the Conservative leaders privately admit the gravity of their situation, but fail to see what can be done. In the meanwhile, action in the field will be taken to the popular clamor. Some of the Conservative papers go so far as to regret the extreme age of the Cabinet Ministers, and refer to the Cabinet as a body of patriots. Under the circumstances it is doubtful whether events transpiring before the government will restore confidence in the government and maintain its majority. There is the important alternative that Lord Lansdowne or Lord Wolsley may be sacrificed.

WOLSELEY TURNED DOWN.
A representative of the Associated Press learns that Lord Wolsley not only disapproved of the chief command of the British troops in South Africa, but allowed his disapproval to be generally known. It is the fact that Lord Wolsley did not know the government's intention in this respect until he saw the announcement in the newspapers. Whichever course the government takes in the future will doubtless see attacks on the government, such as Lord Salisbury has not had to withstand during all the course of his political career.

MORE MONEY NEEDED.
The borrowing powers conferred on the

GAGE REPLIES TO HIS CRITICS.

Denies That He Discriminated in Favor of Certain Banks.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Secretary Gage today sent to Congress his reply to resolutions recently introduced in the Senate by Mr. Allen, and in the House by Mr. Sulzer of New York, relative to the policy of the management of that branch of the Treasury finances under his administration relative to national bank deposits, contained in an act of 1890, which is supplemented by special reports from department officials relative to special inquiries in the past few months, including cases of over 1,000 letters on the subject under consideration. In summing up his reply to the inquiries, the Secretary says:

"First.—That the reason for utilizing national banks as depositories for public moneys as authorized by law, when the receipts of the Treasury were exceeding the expenditures, has been to avoid the disturbance to business which the withdrawal of large sums of money from active circulation to the Treasury would have inevitably caused. The policy thus pursued by me has been the established policy of the Government for many years and a departure from it under similar conditions would certainly cause disastrous results.

BUSINESS NEEDED THE MONEY.
"Second.—The reason for directing the internal revenue receipts into depository banks at this time, that the Treasury was now largely exceeding disbursements from month to month, and seem likely to do so for an indefinite time. This condition would have been a menace to the business world if insurance were not given that this surplus would be diverted from the Treasury vaults to public depositories, where, while secure to the Government, it would remain available to the business world.

"Third.—The reason for directing all the internal revenue receipts to one depository was that it was more convenient to collect the receipts of one office in one place and the desired distribution from it than to give instructions daily to the collectors. The most convenient agency to effect such distribution is a bank which is a member of the New York Clearing House.

"Fourth.—The reason for selecting the National City Bank as such distributing agent was that at the time the order was issued it was one of the two banks which had offered bonds sufficient to cover the amount of the daily deposit. Its bond deposit was \$1,000,000, and that of the Hawaiian National Bank \$1,500,000.

THAT CUSTOM HOUSE SALE.
"Fifth.—The custom house property was sold to the National City Bank as the highest bidder on July 3, 1898. Under the terms of the sale it had the option of paying in cash all of the purchase money

MAY NOT MARRY

Hugh Craig and Miss Sterritt Do Not Agree.

Relatives Are Awaiting the Outcome of the Estrangement.

Following closely upon the announcement of the breaking of the engagement of marriage between Miss Bernice Landers of this city and Alexander McIntosh of Honolulu comes the rumor of the fracture of the engagement between Miss Ella Sterritt of Berkeley and Hugh Craig Jr., of Piedmont.

It may be that the nuptial pledge may yet be made, but circumstances indicate that, as between the young lady and gentleman the course of true love does not run smooth, if indeed the idea of marriage has not been entirely set aside. Miss Sterritt is a niece of Mrs. George H. Wheaton of 344 Lake street in this city. Some months ago, the announcement of her engagement was made and was formally pronounced, later, at a reception in honor of the event which was held in the palatial home of the aunt of the bride prospect.

Since then, however, a change has come over the spirit of the dreams of the young people and, from neutral ground, their relatives and friends are awaiting the outcome of an estrangement more or less momentous, at least so far as their future relationship is concerned.

Those who know the trouble say the engagement is really broken.

CONTEST NOW IN THE COURTS

Some New Phases of Mayoralty Fight at Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 10.—There is no change in the mayoralty contest, the scene of action having been transferred from the city departments to the Superior Court, where litigation involving the several phases of the case is in progress. The case of W. H. Bradley, a citizen, against George W. Clark, the Mayor, is now pending in the Superior Court. The case of the Mayor on account of the alleged violation of the purity of election law, in the Superior Court this morning, but was continued until Tuesday next.

The motion for Clark's attorney to dissolve the temporary injunction, issued at the instance of Mayor Clark, to prevent Mayor Clark from interfering with the exercise of his official duties, was being argued today. Another matter is pending where Clark, the entire nine members of the Board of Trustees, and Clark's counsel are charged, at Land's instance, with contempt of court in having violated, as alleged, a temporary restraining order of court.

CLARK'S LAWYER FIGHTING HARD TO SAVE HIM.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Ex-Senator Faulkner today resumed his cross-examination of Mr. Whitelaw Reid, who was the day's proceedings in an effort to break down the testimony of Mr. Whitelaw Reid concerning the alleged misappropriation of the money of the State of Missouri in connection with the Senatorial election. Whitelaw repeated his statement that he had seen Mr. Clark of Madison go alone to the room of Mr. Wellcome, one of the managers for Senator Clark, and that Mr. Clark had asked him to enter into an agreement to expose the alleged bribery proceedings. He asserted that the suggestion that the State Senator's vote could be secured had not originated with him, but with Wellcome. He said many of these points had not been touched upon at the legislative investigation, or before the Grand Jury, because both these proceedings were comparatively brief.

Replying to a question as to whether the Daily faction had ever used money in politics, Mr. Whitelaw said that he did not know that charges of such use of money by Mr. Daily had been made by the newspapers friendly to Mr. Clark; that the corrupt practices had begun in 1883, when Clark was a candidate for the Senate, and had continued throughout the State Capital fight, when money was poured out like water, and in subsequent sessions of the Legislature until the last session, when the climax was reached. He had then determined to do what he could to put a stop to the practices; hence the activity in this prosecution. Mr. Faulkner then announced that for the present he had concluded his examination of the witness, but later, when his questions were formulated, he would ask to have him recalled, with a view of putting questions to be used as the foundation of proceedings looking to the impeachment of his statements. A recess was then taken until after noon.

PRISON FOR LIFE.

Burglar Sullivan Gets Full Penalty of Law.

Judge Hall Has No Mercy on the Alameda Thief.

C. C. Sullivan, the Alameda burglar, was sentenced by Judge Hall this morning to life imprisonment at Folsom as a punishment for the crime of which he has been convicted. Sentence was pronounced after a motion for a new trial had been denied. A writ of probable cause on an appeal was also denied, Judge Hall stating that no further stigma could attach to the defendant by reason of his being sent to prison, as he had already served time for a prior offense.

In pronouncing sentence Judge Hall said: "I am not much given to pronouncing homilies to defendants who have been convicted. However, in this case let me say that there are several objects of punishment.

"One of these objects is to reform the offender. That cannot be done in this case, as has been shown by the defendant's previous confinement in State Prison.

"Another object is to punish the felon. I do not know myself, philosophically speaking, that there is much justification of punishing people on this earth by the hand of the law. Yet that is the recognized object of the penalty the law imposes.

"Another object and an important one is the protection of society against the depredations of persons disposed to offend against the laws of the community. 'You have heretofore been confined at State Prison, and it has effected no reform upon you. It did not deter you from again offending against the law. The particular offense of which you have been found guilty is a serious one. You at night time accompanied another man whom you knew to be armed and who would and did use his weapon resisting the attempt of the officers to arrest him. You imposed such a penalty as will effectively protect society against your future depredations.'

Life sentence was then pronounced. Sullivan took the sentence very coolly, bowing his head and smiling as the Court pronounced the words which were to make him a convict for life.

Sullivan stated that he would rather have a life sentence than one of ten years, as he thought he would stand a better chance on appeal.

Sullivan was arrested several weeks ago in Alameda while attempting to rob the jewelry store of O. A. Galt.

Bert Wilmore, drew a pistol and gave the officers battle. He was killed.

TAYLOR IS OUT.

Meaning of the Term in Its Relation to the Tariff.

Will Retire as Secretary of the Transit Company.

Samuel J. Taylor, secretary of the Oakland Transit Company, will retire from his present position perhaps at the end of this week, or as soon as he shall be able to clear up the business of the company for the past month.

He will then enter the employ of the Realty Syndicate of San Francisco, the headquarters of which are at 14 Sansome street. He will fill the place in that company which was made vacant recently by the death of Al Barney, which is understood to be that of assistant to F. C. Havens, manager of that company. His selection for this position is due to the excellent service he has rendered the Oakland Transit Company, which is controlled by the Realty Syndicate.

The Syndicate is nominally a San Francisco concern, but owns property only in Oakland and vicinity.

Mr. Taylor will be succeeded as secretary of the Transit Company by F. W. Frost, who has been assistant secretary of the company since its inception.

FOUR NEW REAR-ADMIRALS
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate:
Navy.—To be Rear-Admirals: Henry L. Howson, Albert Kautz, George C. Remey, Norman H. Farquhar.

SPEAK WELL OF HOBART

Senators Extol the Life of Garrett A. Hobart.

Butler Offers a Resolution on Trusts and Announces a Speech.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Today the Senate paid eloquent tribute of respect and affection to the memory of the late Vice-President, Garrett A. Hobart. Mr. Frye laid before the Senate the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, as to the deposits of internal revenue funds in national banks. It was referred to the Finance Committee and ordered printed.

Mr. Hale of Maine offered a resolution calling on the State Department for information as to what had been done regarding the seizure by Great Britain of American products in Delagoa bay. The resolution declared the property was now detained unjustly and without warrant.

Mr. Butler of North Carolina offered a long resolution on trusts, and gave notice of a speech later.

Mr. Sewall of New Jersey then called up the resolutions he had previously offered, providing that the business of the Senate be suspended in order that the distinguished public services and private character of Mr. Hobart might be commemorated. Mr. Sewall addressed the Senate in a beautiful tribute to the dead statesman, with whom his personal relations covered a wide extending from early manhood. He spoke of events in the life Vice-President's private and official career and of the characteristics which made him a man of the people with whom he had come in contact.

OTHER ADDRESSES.
Mr. Daniel of Virginia followed Mr. Sewall, referring eloquently to the roll of Vice-President of the United States. He said in part:

"But I venture to say that the high office of never filled by one who met all of its responsibilities with more equal and uniform efficiency and who discharged its duties with more acceptability to all concerned than did our beloved friend Garrett A. Hobart. War and peace were declared during his term of office, and he was a man of peace and good will, and a blessing to all the land that such a man has filled such a high office.

Mr. Dwyer paid eloquent tribute to the memory of Mr. Hobart, who was a long-time personal friend. Mr. Dwyer, who was a member of the Senate for the first time, was at his best voice, and his oration was listened to with deepest attention.

UNITED STATES TO BE DEFINED.

Meaning of the Term in Its Relation to the Tariff.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Ways and Means Committee of the House today met for a session at which an important resolution was adopted upon motion of Mr. Newlands of Nevada, as follows:

"Resolved, That a committee on the tariff be appointed, to report to the committee on the tariff and the law as to the meaning of the term, 'United States' in that provision of the Constitution which declares that 'All duties on imports and exports shall be uniform throughout the United States,' i. e., whether it includes simply the area included within the boundaries of States, or whether it covers also the territories belonging to the United States.

Chairman Payne appointed Messrs. Dalziel of Kentucky, the Governor of Ohio and Hopkins of Illinois, Republicans, and Messrs. Richardson, Democrat, and Newlands, Silver Republican.

Overcome By Smoke.
Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire
NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—During a fire which today burned a five-story building occupied by bowling alleys and a gymnasium at 28-30 West Fifty-ninth street, three engine company crews, who responded to the first alarm, were with few exceptions overcome by the smoke, though nearly all of the men returned to work. Many had to be dragged out of the smoking apartments. Charles Netzel of engine No. 23 breathed flames and was the last seriously injured. He was overcome by the dense smoke from the pine boards of the bowling alley.

A Duke's Sister Dead.
Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire
LONDON, Jan. 10.—Lady Alice Montagu, sister of the Duke of Manchester, died today at Dares-Pitz, a health resort in Switzerland.

COMPLETE LAKE WORK

The Board of Works Go on Record to Finish Dredging.

At the meeting of the Board of Public Works this morning the question of where to place the dredgings from Lake Merritt was taken up and thoroughly discussed. In this connection several communications were received, among them being the following:

"Gentlemen: The unsanitary condition of the lake having injured our academy much for the past years we beg leave to state that we rely on your honor's knowledge of this and on your former kindness to us, to see that the northwestern part of Lake Merritt be not left undredged, as there is, it seems, question of doing. Thanking your Honor in advance for the favor we solicit. Respectfully,
The Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, Convent of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart."

Another communication signed by H. O. Crowbridge, C. D. Bates, D. A. Froctor, W. W. Whitman, M. L. Requa, J. C. Howard, Theodore F. Dredge, G. W. Coppe, Bartholomew Nowes, J. W. Livingston, R. L. Stephenson was as follows: "Gentlemen: The undersigned residents of Vernon Heights respectfully request your honorable board to cause the entire lake to be dredged under the present contract and with the money on hand. There is a large amount of material in the northwestern arm of the lake that should be dredged out before the summer sun beats down upon it and causes it to become a nuisance. It was the prospect of this very nuisance which first brought before the City Council the necessity of dredging the lake. The health of this section of the city is of more importance than the placing of a few yards of mud more or less between Eighth and Twelfth. We are informed that it will require several times the amount of material now to be dredged under the present contract to bring this proposed park to grade. We therefore urge again upon your honorable board that the entire lake be dredged at once according to the original plan."

George C. Edwards spoke in behalf of the latter communication. He said it would be advisable to fill between the Eighth street bridge and the Twelfth street dam, and also that the entire lake be dredged. He said that the lake, if both could not be done. The lake, he said, should be dredged to a uniform depth of four feet.

Hugh M. Cameron said that, on behalf of the citizens of East Oakland, he insisted that the rest of the money be expended on the plot south of Twelfth street. The dam, he said, now looked like a pile of lumber and that before the dredging had been commenced.

Then Mayor Snow said that there was about \$50,000 left, and that the entire lake could be dredged for that amount. It would, however, take \$12,000 more to put the mud south of the Twelfth street dam. He then introduced the following resolution to bring the matter before the board:

"Resolved, That Contractor Fred Peterson and he is hereby directed to deposit the mud dredged from Lake Merritt under his contract with the city, between Twelfth and Eighth streets, excepting only 20,000 cubic yards, which are directed to be placed on the land of Charles and Jane Newton, as per resolutions of the Council Nos. 19,49 and 24,712, in the sink east of the boulevard wall, in the sink adjoining the Convent of the Sacred Heart of the lake."

Mayor Snow said that he would feel like dropping the whole matter if he did not feel that more money would be appropriated next year to fill in the park, but at present he thought that the entire lake should be dredged, and this could only be done, with the money on hand, by disposing of the mud according to his resolution.

City Attorney Dow stated that, according to the wording of the ordinance, the entire lake must be dredged and cleaned. If the contract were not completed the contractor could not get his money and would be left with the mud. He said, whether the rest of the lake be dredged, or whether all work should now be stopped, he thought about \$20,000 more would be needed to fill in the park south of the Twelfth street dam.

Contractor Peterson now if directed to place the mud south of the dam, and he insisted that he would. After some further discussion of the matter, City Attorney Dow suggested that there should be a preamble to Mayor Snow's resolution, and at the latter's request he drew up the following, which was unanimously adopted with the resolution:

"Whereas, Ordinance No. 1,326 of the Oakland City Council authorized and directed this Board to dredge and clean Lake Merritt to a depth of not less than four feet below the line of ordinary high tide, and

"Whereas, the money made available for said purpose is sufficient to do the dredging and cleaning aforesaid, but is not sufficient to do said work directed to be done if all the material hereafter removed in the carrying out of said direction is required to be deposited between Eighth and Twelfth streets; therefore, be it,"

Contractor Peterson thought that the provision relative to the Newlands property should be omitted, as the city had already spent \$2,000 on the property but his suggestion did not meet with approval. It was said that Mayor Snow had property owners in the arms of the Lake would be expected to construct dikes at their own expense.

Patents Granted.
A patent has been granted in Washington to C. A. Eoren of this city for a valve for vessels, and to J. H. Woolley, also of this city, for an apparatus for raising water.

A Needle Syndicate.
Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire
BERLIN, Jan. 10.—It is announced in press reports from Berlin that the German needle syndicate has been revived.

GENERAL MILES' DAUGHTER WEDS.

Her Marriage to an Army Captain a Brilliant Affair.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Miss Cecilia Sherman Miles, daughter of the General commanding the army, and Captain Samuel Rober, U. S. A., were married at noon today at St. John's Church, Rev. Alex. MacKay-Smith, D. D., officiating, assisted by Rev. Dean Davis of St. Louis.

A breakfast, at which several hundred guests were present, followed at the residence of General and Mrs. Miles, after which Captain and Mrs. Rober left for Southern trip. They will go later to Governor's Island, where the former is stationed.

Among those present were ex-Secretary of War Lamont and Mrs. Lamont; Lord and Lady Pauncefote; the Mexican, German and Russian Ambassadors; the Ministers from Belgium and Switzerland; the Chinese Minister and Mrs. Wu, Secretary of State Hay; the members of the Supreme Court; Assistant Secretary of War Medford; General Corbin, the wife of Cabinet officers, and many others.

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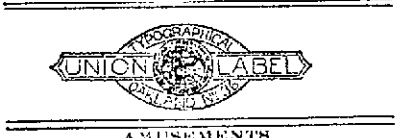
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AMUSEMENTS.
Dewey—"O'Brien the Contractor," Columbia—"The Corsican," California—"The Princess and the Butcher," Grand Opera House—"Sinbad," Grand—"Little Bo-Peep," Orpheum—"Vaudeville," Alhambra—"The Mystery of Mr. Bugle," Alhambra—"An Air of Honor," Taurian Park, S. F.—Races today and tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1900.
The gold mine tax in Germany is said to be not popular. What tax ever is?

Italy claims that her exhibit at the Paris Fair will represent a cash value of \$50,000,000. That kind of money, though, has a suspicious sound to it.

Now that the officials at the San Francisco City Hall are under civil service, it is to be hoped that they will be more polite to those doing business with them.

More of Uncle Sam's men have been knocked out by tainted beef. Despite the efforts of the contractors to prove that the supply is all right, it is easy enough to prove that "taint."

A Washington man proposes to raise the Maine by means of liquified air. As, however, his first move calls for raising the wind by means of a stock subscription, there is not likely to be much to the affair.

Sir Henry Irving says that absolute realism is not only impossible but unnecessary. Wonder if he was making any allusion to the stage ghost that is supposed to make the rounds Saturday nights.

The old saying that there is more money in being a dead hero than a live one is exemplified in the case of the Lawson home fund, for although the subscription was started only a month ago it now reaches a total of \$55,000, whereas six months' diligent work brought a total of but \$55,000 for Dewey. Perhaps, however, the people feel that this is the first and last appeal for Lawson, whereas they may be called upon to contribute to Dewey again for some other exploit later on.

Instead of our being able to hold down the criminals here, they continue to hold us up with ease. The reason will not be in their favor long, though, for the operations of the footpads are so bold that it is certain they will come to grief soon. Meantime, instead of carrying valuables about late at night, it would be a good idea to have a well-primed revolver on hand. Our visitors should not have to complain about not being accorded a warm reception—something in the line of a fire, for example.

NOW FOR THE BONDS.

Now that the application of an official pruning knife has reduced the total of the proposed bond issue to \$1,675,000, it does not seem possible that those who have been fighting the proposition on the score of expense can longer raise their hands against it. Where is the kern that any citizen with the slightest public spirit would want stricken from the revised list, which now stands as follows: New sewers and reconstruction of present ones, \$350,000; improvement of main thoroughfares, \$255,000; new school houses and sites, \$350,000; new engine houses and sites, \$75,000; wharves on south side, \$100,000; wharf at West Oakland, \$225,000; new City Hall, \$300,000; salt water sprinkling plant, \$75,000; Commerce street filling, \$25,000.

There should be no occasion to dilate upon the merits of any of these projects, for they have been so often and so thoroughly discussed by THE TRIBUNE and other local papers that every citizen who interests himself in the affairs of the community must be conversant with them in all their details. Time and again they have been urged upon the people of Oakland, and furthermore, on every occasion when an expression of public opinion has been sought regarding them the result has invariably been a declaration in their favor. Some of them, as, for example, the sewers, school houses and engine houses are in truth absolute necessities, and bonds or no bonds, we cannot longer delay equipping ourselves in that regard. As for the other projects, nobody can glance over the list and say that each and every one thereof is not an essential to our welfare, for to deny them to ourselves would be practically amounting to an admission that we have abandoned all hope of keeping pace with the progress of the age. Every other city in the West has donned seven-league boots and is making the rapid strides necessitated by the new commercial possibilities that have just been placed before us, and Oakland must either follow suit or retire permanently to the background.

PROPERTY AND REPRESENTATION.

Those who oppose the property qualification for the franchise proposed as part of the new Hawaiian code of government are reported as having their objections on the grounds that such requirements are contrary to the ideals of the United States. There is a great deal of nonsense displayed at times by people who ought to know better as to what constitute the ideals of this Government, and if some industrious student will condense the debates on the constitution into a form sufficiently clear to be comprehended by school children, some beautiful, but none the less fallacious, fancies of Fourth of July orators and others will be dispelled and a better understanding of the fundamental principles of American government be entertained by the general public. The ideals of the fathers, after 112 years may be a little misty, but we know, at least, that nearly all of the members of the first constitutional convention were proprietors of estates and belonged to the class termed in England the landed gentry.

Taxation without representation, which American historians contend was the cause of the Revolution, in no way proposed representation unless there was taxation. That is, the man who had something on which he must pay a tax demanded representation in the body that raised the revenue by such means, but he who had nothing had no cause to be heard. If it were possible to read the minds of the makers of the United States, it would probably be found that, aside from the fact that the States themselves prescribed the limitations of the franchise within their respective borders, the framers of the constitution had a lively notion that citizenship and property ownership were coincident. However that may have been, property qualifications for the franchise were general in the early days of the country, and so far from being unusual even lately, they were only a few years ago abolished in the State of Rhode Island.

The contention that such a provision in the Hawaiian code would be dangerous is hardly worthy of serious consideration. New conditions require new methods of meeting them, and it will be readily admitted that neither Hamilton nor Jefferson foresaw the acquisition by this nation of the Hawaiian Islands. That territory has been developed by the enterprise and resources of Americans who have invested there many millions of dollars. To turn the control of such interests over to untutored white or native voters would virtually mean confiscation without due process of law and consequently would be opposed to the letter and spirit of the constitution of the United States. As the country grows and the residents become accustomed to American methods and principles the full benefits of the franchise may be extended to the natives, and this is probably the intention of the Administration, whose attitude throughout upon this question has received the commendation of every thinking American. That citizenship for Hawaii is inevitable in the far distant future will be admitted, but when that time shall come we will not have a recently annexed lot of unlettered Kanakas to deal with, but a body of thoroughly republican American citizens.

It is to be regretted that all the work contemplated in connection with the clearing of Lake Merritt and the filling of property between Eighth and Twelfth streets on the estuary, cannot be completed at this time. It is evident that, if the filling of the estuary park be attempted, the dredging of the lake for sanitary and other purposes must be left unfinished. The suggestion of the Mayor that the lake dredging should be completed as a good one, and it is generally thought that it ought to be put into practice. People would then be enabled to say that a great piece of work, decided upon by the Council and entered by the public, had been accomplished. To leave it in an unfinished condition, on the other hand, would tend to discourage further enterprise and be a source of regret to public-spirited citizens. In another fiscal year, the area between Twelfth and Eighth street bridges can be filled by a special appropriation for that purpose, which will insure the performance of the work. A short delay will not destroy the prospects of the improvement because, under those circumstances, the demand for the completion would be general and irresistible.

Those who have been figuring that the war revenue tax would be shorn of some of its severities soon might as well get right in and stamp their documents, for it is officially announced at Washington that the measure will not be revised at this session of Congress. There should be no complaint, though, for the money that is pouring into the Treasury is all to be expended upon national improvements such as coast defenses, harbor and river development, enlarging the navy and so forth, all of which can be classified as necessary for our own personal convenience and protection.

How is it that free lance steamers are called "tramps"? That seems to be a misnomer, for who ever heard of a tramp taking to water or working well on a sea-way?

It is rather unfortunate for San Francisco that its police complications are occurring at a time when the services of the peace force are most sorely needed. The highlander warfare in Chinatown is becoming a serious affair and needs all the training and experience possible to cope with it. Chief Lees and his old-time lieutenants were so well versed in the business that they knew exactly how to head off such an outbreak, and it is possible that the Tongas are taking advantage of the present disruption of the City Hall to fight their battles out.

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The Colored Champion at Last Meets His Match and Goes Down.

By HENRY A. NEWBERRY of the TRIBUNE STAFF.

Again has that time-worn axiom of the prize ring, youth will be served, been verified. Last night at the Broadway Athletic Club in New York George Dixon, the greatest fighter the ring has ever known, with a record that puts to shame the achievements of Sullivan, Corbett or Fitzsimmons, went down in defeat before a younger and stronger man.

For three rounds Dixon fought with all his old-time speed, dash and coolness. According to the press dispatches he made McGovern look like a novice. But the pace was too fast for the champion. The stamina that had carried him to victory in so many hard fought battles in the past was gone, and after the third round the end came in the eighth McGovern was always in the lead. His terrific blows in the clinches weakened Dixon rapidly, and the latter was unable to recuperate in the intervals between the rounds. McGovern fought like a tiger, as he always does, and was at his man every second in the round. His most effective work was done in the clinches, where his short-arm blows, which are more powerful than most, light weights can deliver, rained furiously on Dixon's heart and stomach.

Dixon announces his retirement from the ring. He has been the champion featherweight of the world for ten years. At that time he not only conquered every man of his class in this country who had the temerity to meet him, but he defeated the recognized champions of England and Australia as well. He went to England and knocked out Nunc Wallace, who was considered the best man of his weight in that country, in eighteen rounds. Returning to America, he met Abe Willis, the champion featherweight of Australia, before the old California Athletic Club in San Francisco. It took Dixon only five rounds to knock all the fight out of the Australian, and since

Where the Cashiers of Our Local Banks Draw the Line.

Here is a story for the following gentlemen: CHARLES YATES, CASHIER Central Bank; CHARLES E. PALMER, CASHIER Union National Bank; JAMES MCKEE, CASHIER Farmers' and Merchants' Bank; S. BURBANK, CASHIER First National Bank; W. W. GARTHWAY, CASHIER Oakland Bank of Savings; A. E. CHAMBER, CASHIER Union Savings Bank; F. H. BROOKS, CASHIER California Bank.

The idea of a year 0 (by which 1900 is made to complete 1000 years) has proved to be full of suggestion to the paragraphers. If there was a year 0, why not a century 000? Perhaps there are only 300 society leaders in the 400. Perhaps we should begin counting our ages one year later, making each of us a year younger than we suppose! To such a state of mind has this topic carried some of the editors. The New York Sun, to dispel this kind of a year 0, presents the following "decency parallel" sent in by one of its readers:

Kindergarten teacher—New children, let me hear you count.
The reply rational: | The reply other: |
Children—One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, etc.
School teacher—Tommy, what is a century?
Tommy—One hundred years.
The other—Give an example.
Tommy—From the first day of the first day of the year to the last day of the first day of the one hundred to the last day of the one hundred.

Bank customer—Will you be kind enough to let me have one of these \$100 bills?
Cashier—With pleasure. (Lays first bill aside, murmuring: No dollar.)
Then, One dollar, two dollars, three dollars, four dollars, five dollars, six dollars, seven dollars, eight dollars, nine dollars, ten dollars, eleven dollars, twelve dollars, thirteen dollars, fourteen dollars, fifteen dollars, sixteen dollars, seventeen dollars, eighteen dollars, nineteen dollars, twenty dollars, twenty-one dollars, twenty-two dollars, twenty-three dollars, twenty-four dollars, twenty-five dollars, twenty-six dollars, twenty-seven dollars, twenty-eight dollars, twenty-nine dollars, thirty dollars, thirty-one dollars, thirty-two dollars, thirty-three dollars, thirty-four dollars, thirty-five dollars, thirty-six dollars, thirty-seven dollars, thirty-eight dollars, thirty-nine dollars, forty dollars, forty-one dollars, forty-two dollars, forty-three dollars, forty-four dollars, forty-five dollars, forty-six dollars, forty-seven dollars, forty-eight dollars, forty-nine dollars, fifty dollars, fifty-one dollars, fifty-two dollars, fifty-three dollars, fifty-four dollars, fifty-five dollars, fifty-six dollars, fifty-seven dollars, fifty-eight dollars, fifty-nine dollars, sixty dollars, sixty-one dollars, sixty-two dollars, sixty-three dollars, sixty-four dollars, sixty-five dollars, sixty-six dollars, sixty-seven dollars, sixty-eight dollars, sixty-nine dollars, seventy dollars, seventy-one dollars, seventy-two dollars, seventy-three dollars, seventy-four dollars, seventy-five dollars, seventy-six dollars, seventy-seven dollars, seventy-eight dollars, seventy-nine dollars, eighty dollars, eighty-one dollars, eighty-two dollars, eighty-three dollars, eighty-four dollars, eighty-five dollars, eighty-six dollars, eighty-seven dollars, eighty-eight dollars, eighty-nine dollars, ninety dollars, ninety-one dollars, ninety-two dollars, ninety-three dollars, ninety-four dollars, ninety-five dollars, ninety-six dollars, ninety-seven dollars, ninety-eight dollars, ninety-nine dollars, one hundred dollars.

One disquieting thought arises among all the "letters to the editor" declaring that the new century begins in 1900, and the patient daily replies of the press with diagrams, supposed cyclometers, piles of pennies, reys of apples, bricks and shingles, endless visions of mile-post, regiments of marching soldiers and imaginary sheep, elephants and grashoppers jumping over imaginary fences. It will all be forgotten, and some "letter to the editor" will start the whole whirl of pennies, apples, etc., going again.

Leap Year That the Girls of Oakland Will Miss.

Editor TRIBUNE—Those who notice the calendars for the new year and find no extra day in February naturally conclude that an error has been committed. According to the rule, the year 1900, being divisible by four without a remainder, is leap year. The calendars are right, however, as will be seen by what follows: Forty-six years before the birth of Christ, Julius Caesar introduced what has since been known as the "Julian Calendar," according to which the year has ordinarily 365 days, and every fourth year a leap year of 366 days, the length of the year being thus assumed as 365.25 days. This is really 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes and 46 seconds, or 11 minutes and 14 seconds less than 365.25 days. This system prevailed until A. D. 1582, when the error in time had amounted to 10 whole days. Then Pope Gregory XIII ordered that ten days should be deducted from the year 1582 by cutting what according to the old style would have been reckoned as the 5th of October, the 15th of October, being substituted for the 1st of October. This was done in order that the calendar might not recur, it was further ordered that every hundredth year (1700-1800-1900, etc.) should not be counted a leap year, excepting every fourth hundred, beginning with the year 2000.

In this way the difference between the civil and the natural year will not amount to a day in 5,000 years.

Broadway Fairy Tale Told By His Honor J. G. Quinn J. P.

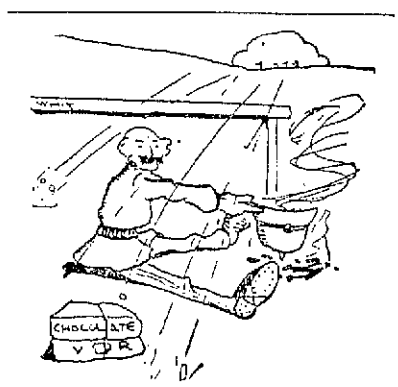
One day a Beggan Man, on Broadway near Eighth street, asked a Passer By for a Quarter with which to buy food for his Starving Family. The Passer By gave him a Coin and was hastening upon his way when he heard a Voice calling to him to pause. It was the Beggar Man. "Sir!" cried he, "What shall I make of my life, Love? What shall I bring to you, Power of fair color, song of tremulous sweet? Bird that cleaves waters of tears on a faithful wing to you? Ponds ever way with a leaf for you to keep? Shew in whose chamber remembered waves shall ring to you? Chimes of sleep? Bird that homes to you? Song that will sigh and sing to you? Flower that knoweth not passion or faith or doubt? Shall that whispers a musical memory out? Nav, I will make my life two hands to

Snapshots Taken on Broadway

THE TRIBUNE'S photographer, while walking down Broadway this afternoon, took several snapshots of scenes and incidents on the boulevard. This is what he saw at Eighth and Broadway:



Policeman Bill Quigley Telling James Brannan How Champion Dixon Got Knocked Out Last Night.



County Clerk Frank C. Jordan Enjoying Life at the Geysers.

County Clerk Frank C. Jordan is spending much of his time at the Geysers. When last seen he was cooking his lunch in the hills.



Judge James G. Quinn Leading His Emeryville Military Company on to Glory.

Justice of the Peace James G. Quinn is talking of organizing a military company at the Emeryville.

At the Macdonough.
Behind the scenes the kings and queens are merely mortals; Juliet leaves, a broad grin, against the screens, Behind the scenes.
The final act is on, and lo! The loving heart of Romeo, Behind the scenes, behind the scenes, Behind the scenes.
And tears spring up in every eye: Then extant, while the scene is set, Are scrubbing off the mask of paint, Behind the scenes.
—Robert Lovett in the Saturday Evening Post.

BELL TREASURER MAKES HER REPORT.

The treasurer of the Bell Club has made the following report: Received from original subscription list, \$5,570; special subscription to site corner Fourteenth and Grove streets, \$1,500; individual subscriptions running from 10 cents to \$2,100; 176 business firms of Oakland, \$1,286.55; clubs and organizations, \$60.62; teachers in our public schools, \$13.00; children's contributions to December 15th, \$17.41; the committee duplicate of children's contribution to December 15th, as per agreement, \$27.41; children since December 15th, \$2.30; Birds Ball Game Club of children, \$2.35; entertainment given by the pupils of Miss Horton's school, \$70; First Presbyterian Church, \$13.50; baseball game (partial returns), \$10; Union Savings Bank for children's room fund, \$100; friends in San Francisco, \$400; total, \$20,000.67.

So library site, corner Fourteenth and Grove streets, \$20,000. The balance will be used for the children's room, aside from the pledge of Mr. Young, which we expect to receive later. Respectfully submitted, M. R. BABSON, Treasurer.

PLAYS COMING TO THE MACDONOUGH.

"A Hot Old Time" will be at the Macdonough Theatre next Friday and Saturday. The company includes: John W. Jess, the prince of eccentric Irish comedians; Wm. McRobbie, a cover young juvenile, W. Wallace Black, an actor with an unusually good singing voice; John C. Leach, one of the most amusing of character comedians; Charles J. Newton and Joe Darling, in characters well suited to their respective abilities; Ada Hodge, a leading woman of the company; Ada Melrose and Pearl Ravare, in character and singing specialties; Annie St. Tel, the "Bouquet" Antelope. America's most sensational dancer; Hyberta Pryme and Beatrice Rice, singing comedienne; and John and Bertha Gleason in their artistic dances and comic songs. The music is under the direction of Mr. Frank Hodges. The Christian will be at the Macdonough next Monday and Tuesday.

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